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now in Java, making further collections in Buitenzorg, and will return home in August.

THE daily papers say that Dr. A. H. Doty, health officer of the port of New York, proposes to try to exterminate the mosquitoes of Staten Island. Men are said to be at work mapping all the marshes, stagnant pools, etc., and crude petroleum is to be released beneath the surface of the water. The marshes, etc., will also be drained.

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

MR. A. C. BARTLETT has increased his gift for a gymnasium for the University of Chicago from \$125,000 to \$200,000.

MR. JOHN S. NEWBURY, of Detroit, has given Yale University \$25,000 for an organ, to be placed in Memorial Hall.

A NEW astronomical observatory with increased equipment, including the equatorial telescope which formerly belonged to the late Judge Knapp of New Jersey, is being erected at Lincoln University, Pa. This will be used mainly for purposes of instruction under the directorship of Professor Walter L. Wright, Jr. who has, for a number of years, been in charge of the department of mathematics at that institution.

THE General Purposes Committee of the Birmingham City Council has decided to recommend a grant of the proceeds of a half-penny rate which will provide the University with the sum of £5,000 annually.

FOUR members of the faculty of the Connecticut Agricultural College, Storrs, Conn., have been asked to resign, as a result, it is said, of their alleged opposition to the policy of President Flint. They are: Nelson S. Mayo, M.S., D.V.M., professor of anatomy, physiology and veterinary science; Henry A. Ballou, assistant professor of forestry, botany and military science; Thomas D. Knowles, instructor in English, mathematics, history and physical culture; Charles E. Myers, instructor in farm accounts and business methods, and secretary of the faculty.

WE learn from *The Botanical Gazette* that the regents of the University of West Virginia

have abolished the professorship in botany without notice to the present incumbent, Dr. E. B. Copeland. Dr. Copeland is spending the summer at the Cold Spring Biological Laboratory.

THE chair of pathology in the University of Sydney is vacant and applications for it are invited. The salary is £900 per annum and a pension of £400 per annum is allowed on certain conditions after twenty years' service. The sum of £100 will be allowed for passage expenses from Europe or America. The successful applicant is to begin his duties on March 1, 1902. Further particulars may be obtained from the Agent-General for New South Wales, 9 Victoria Street, London, S. W., to whom applications, stating applicant's age (which must not be more than forty years) and qualifications, and accompanied by four copies of each testimonial submitted, should be sent not later than September 14, 1901.

AT the July meeting of the Board of Regents, Mr. L. W. Hartman was elected to the professorship in physics at the Kansas State Agricultural College for the coming year. For the past year and a half Mr. Hartman has been on the staff of the department of physics at Cornell University.

KARL WILHELM GENTHE, PH.D. (Leipzig), has been appointed instructor in natural history in Trinity College.

THE following have been appointed assistants in histology and embryology at Cornell University: Arthur M. Bean, A.B., of Iowa College; Charles W. Bunker, B.S., of the University of Nebraska; Bert R. Hoobler, B.S., of Wabash College; William C. Thro, A.M., of Cornell University; Gersham F. White, B.S., of Ohio University, and William F. Wismar, A.B., of Rochester University.

DR. ALFRED KOCH, of Oppenheim, has been appointed associate professor and director of the Institute of Agricultural Bacteriology at the University of Göttingen.

DR. EDMUND LANDAU has qualified as docent in mathematics at the University of Berlin, and Dr. G. Senn as docent in botany in the University of Basle.